

Fig. S1. Titration curves of Gly and Gly-Pro-Hyp with iron (III) at $I=0.15 \text{ mol}\cdot\text{dm}^{-3}$ NaCl and 25 °C, 37 °C and 40°C. The (a), (b) and (c) are the titration curves of Gly at temperature of 25 °C, 37 °C and 40°C. (d), (e) and (f) are the titration curves of Gly-Pro-Hyp at temperature of 25 °C, 37 °C and 40°C. Carbonate-free NaOH ($0.1 \text{ mol}\cdot\text{dm}^{-3}$) was used to titrated solutions (A): $3\times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}\cdot\text{dm}^{-3}$ HCl+ $0.15 \text{ mol}\cdot\text{dm}^{-3}$ NaCl; (B) $3\times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}\cdot\text{dm}^{-3}$ HCl+ $0.15 \text{ mol}\cdot\text{dm}^{-3}$ NaCl + $3\times 10^{-3} \text{ mmol}\cdot\text{dm}^{-3}$ ligands (Gly, Pro-Hyp or Gly-Pro-Hyp); and (C) $3\times 10^{-3} \text{ mol}\cdot\text{dm}^{-3}$ HCl+ $0.15 \text{ mol}\cdot\text{dm}^{-3}$ NaCl + $3\times 10^{-3} \text{ mmol}\cdot\text{dm}^{-3}$ ligands (Gly, Pro-Hyp or Gly-Pro-Hyp) + 3×10^{-3} (C₁), 1.5×10^{-3} (C₂) or 1×10^{-3} (C₃) $\text{mol}\cdot\text{dm}^{-3}$ ferric ion. And the solution C₁, C₂ and C₃ has the molar concentration ratio of metal to ligand here were 1:1, 1:2 and 1:3 correspondently.

